

# **Duke Solar Near-Term Projects**

## ***Thermal Storage Needs***

### ***Wide Range in Project Sizes***

- *50 MWe (Nevada)*
- *1 MWe (Arizona)*
- *100 kWe (in development)*



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# ***Nevada Power and Sierra Pacific: 50 MWe***

***No Storage***



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# 1 MWe ORC Plant in Arizona

## 300 C, ORC System

### Nexant Report: Table 10

#### Thermal Storage System Characteristics for the 1,000 kWe Plants

<u>Type and Fluid</u>	<u>Inventory density, kg/m<sup>3</sup></u>	<u>Inventory specific heat, kJ/kg-°C</u>	<u>Unit tank volume, m<sup>3</sup>-°C/kWht</u>	<u>Unit storage cost <sup>1</sup>, \$/kWht</u>	<u>Relative storage cost</u>
<i>Two Tank</i>					
Caloria	688	2.70	1.94	33	1.00
Binary salt	1,910	1.49	1.26	43	1.30
<i>Thermocline <sup>2</sup></i>					
Caloria/quartzite <sup>3</sup>	2,172	1.23	1.35	19	0.58
Binary salt/quartzite <sup>4</sup>	2,465	1.18	1.24	34	1.03

Short-term storage (< 3 hrs) may be important

Installation and startup during '04

Need performance evaluation, detailed design and component spec's

Issues: cost minimization, 2-tank only near-term option

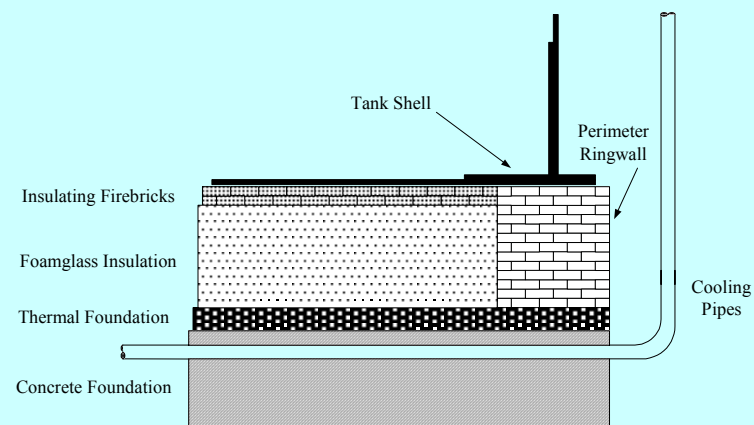


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## 100 kWe and 1 MWe: 2-Tank Cost Estimates (Nexant)

	Case 1, 100 kWe	Case 2, 1,000 kWe	Case 3, 100 kWe	Case 4, 1,000 kWe
Fluids				
Collector field	Caloria	Caloria	VP-1	VP-1
Thermal storage	Caloria	Caloria	Binary salt	Binary salt
Temperature, C				
Hot tank	304	304	368	368
Cold tank	221	221	236	236
Storage tanks				
Hot	\$26,000	\$107,000	\$14,000	\$57,000
Cold	\$25,000	\$101,000	\$14,000	\$55,000
Thermal insulation				
Hot	\$17,000	\$64,000	\$10,000	\$38,000
Cold	\$14,000	\$52,000	\$8,000	\$29,000
Foundations				
Hot	\$35,000	\$135,000	\$23,000	\$98,000
Cold	\$29,000	\$108,000	\$20,000	\$80,000
Inventory	\$36,000	\$303,000	\$28,000	\$234,000
Subtotal - Storage tanks	\$182,000	\$870,000	\$117,000	\$591,000
Balance of system equipment				
Oil-to-salt heat exchanger	N/A	N/A	\$66,000	\$411,000
Nitrate salt pumps	N/A	N/A	\$20,000	\$20,000
Total thermal storage system	\$182,000	\$870,000	\$203,000	\$1,022,000
Storage capacity, kWh <sub>t</sub>	2,860	26,600	2,570	23,960
Unit cost, \$/kWh <sub>t</sub>	\$64	\$33	\$79	\$43



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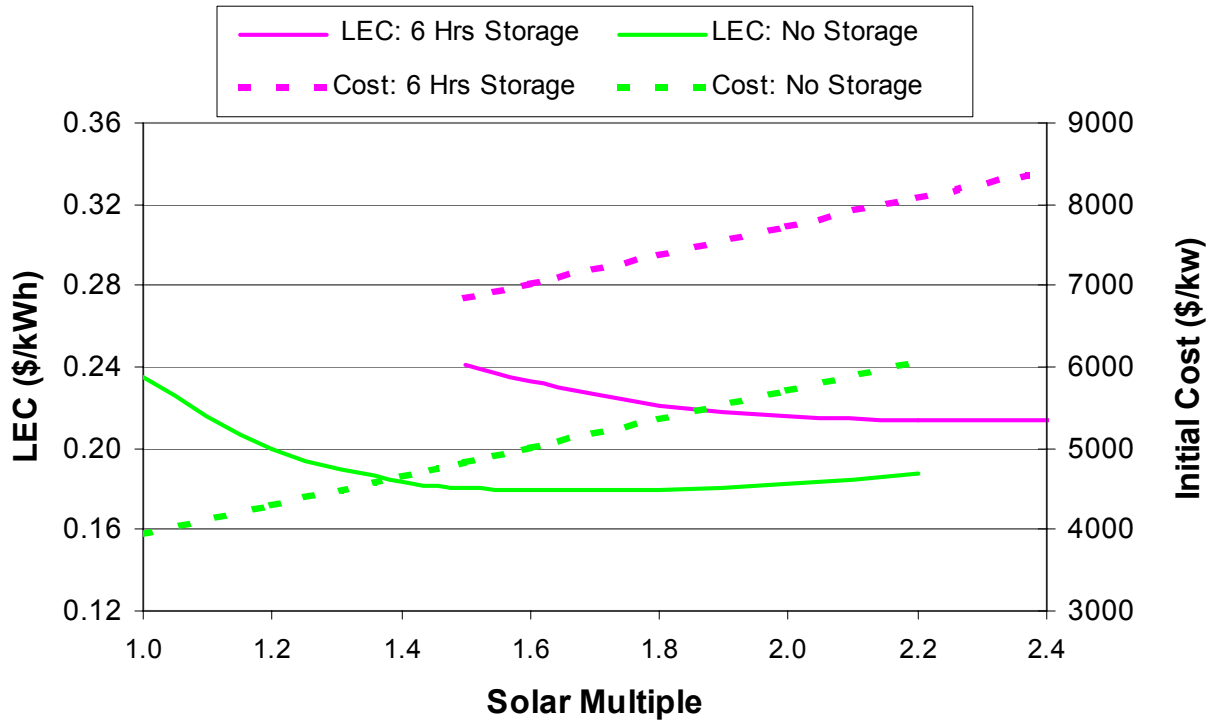
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# 100 kWe Trough-Powered ORC

## Preliminary Feasibility Results

### Levelized Energy Cost

100 kW Trough-Powered ORC System  
8% discount rate, 25 years  
Location: Daggett, California



*High-value for  
small systems*

*Green Power*

*Remote Sites*

**Issues**

*Costs*

*Risk*

*Thermocline*

**Timing:**

*'04 - '05*



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